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Griffin

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Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003 for the above identified patent application.

Petition for Extension of Time

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003 be extended for a period of two (2) months from November 27, 2003 to and including January 27, 2004.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$210.00. Please charge Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 the required fee for this extension as well as any fee for an extension of time for any future reply requiring an extension of time for its timely submission. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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